

Dublin Castle, Tuesday, 29th May, 1798.

Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Longfield, of the Royal Cork Militia, to Lieutenant General Craig, dated at Rathangan, 29th May.

“ I ARRIVED near this Town at eleven o’Clock, and
“ perceiving the Rebels to have taken a Position at the up-
“ per End of the Town, near the Church, and that they had
“ in some Parts barricaded the Streets, and drawn Chains
“ across others, I placed my Battalion Guns in Front,
“ supported by the Infantry, stationing the Cavalry so as
“ to support both, and commenced by firing upon the
“ Town with the Cannon; after the second Discharge of
“ which I perceived the Rebels to fly in all Directions.
“ I then gave Orders for the Cavalry to charge, which
“ was executed by Captain *Pack*, and the Detachment of
“ the fifth Dragoon Guards, with the greatest Spirit and
“ Judgment.

“ Lord *Tyrawly* joined me immediately before the
“ Action, with a Serjeant and twelve of the *Romney*
“ Fencibles, and six of the Yeoman Cavalry, who assisted
“ with equal Spirit in the Charge.

“ To Colonel *Robinson* of the *Perthshire* Regiment,
“ Major *Miller*, Captain *O’Callaghan*, and Captain *Camp-*
“ *bell* of the 41st Regiment, I am indebted for their spi-
“ rited Exertions and Assistance.

“ There are between fifty and sixty of the REBELS
“ killed.”